

Talking points for Mara Manuel:

- The importance of having a well staffed and educated public health nursing department in the event of a bioterrorist attack. She will describe the key role of PHNs in an event.
- She will describe problems with funding mechanisms-specifically how disaster work could be compromised---and current health problems that the Department is facing.
- She will describe her experiences working in a disaster and will identify whether or not California is prepared.
- She will make recommendations as to how to ensure our public health departments can meet the demands of a bioterrorist event.